

My research focusses on the potential health impacts of biological air pollution (bioaerosols) emitted from composting facilities. Although we know that bioaerosols can harm human health, the dose required to trigger a health response is still unknown. Epidemiological studies are really needed in this area to help answer the gaps in knowledge.

The annual International Society for Environmental Epidemiology (ISEE) conference pulls together researchers from all areas of environmental epidemiology, and my attendance at this conference was a great opportunity for me to expand my network internationally and gain further insight into epidemiological research in similar fields. Whilst at the conference, I was able to meet researchers from the Netherlands and Germany working on bioaerosols, and exchange ideas which will hopefully lead to further collaboration.

I also attended many air-pollution and respiratory health related talks, which gave me lots of ideas which I hope to implement in the future, and has strengthened my knowledge on environmental epidemiology. I was also able to converse with many people from around the world about my research.

My attendance at this wonderful conference, and the benefits it has provided to me, would not be possible without the travel award granted to me, which made my participation at this conference possible. Many thanks Aerosol Society!

